

"Spring Station" Geo. M. Clark Residence  
Louisville, Kentucky

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WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA  
District No. 20

'Historic American Buildings Survey  
G. M. Grimes, District Officer  
304 Martin Brown Building  
Louisville, Kentucky

Name of structure: "Spring Station" (Geo. M. Clark Residence)

Location: Lexington Road and Cannon's Lane,  
Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky

Owner or  
custodian: Mrs. Ada T. Clark, wife of Geo. M. Clark.

Address: Lexington Road and Cannon's Lane,  
Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky

Date built: 1795  
(approx)

Architect  
or builder: Plans are said to have been given to the  
original owner, Samuel Beall,  
(or John Beale) by Thomas Jefferson.

Present  
condition: Excellent

Number of  
stories: Two stories, center part; one story,  
wings; also basement.

Material used  
in construction: Foundation: Brick.  
Exterior walls: Brick.  
Interior partitions: Brick and frame,  
plastered.  
Floors: Wood. Basement: concrete.  
Roof: Frame construction, covered with  
metal.

Description: This house generally known as "Spring  
architectural Station", derived its name because it  
and historical was built near the site of the stockaded  
fort, or station, known as "Spring  
Station", which was built in 1784.

The original log fort was so named because it was built with a stockaded passage leading from the fort to the nearby spring.

Several hundred yards to the northwest of this house stand two stone spring houses, which, it is said are on the approximate site of the stockaded fort herein referred to.

About two hundred feet in front of the house is the excavated hole from which material was obtained for making the brick for the house.

During the Civil War, for a time, the house was the headquarters for Union soldiers in this vicinity.

Many alterations have been made in the house by the different owners over a period of many years, but the photographs which were taken in this Survey were of details which seemed to be original, possibly with one exception, the stairs.

Reference to Spring Station is found in Collins History of Kentucky, Vol. II, pages 21 and 359. The Courier-Journal, March 2, 1924, carried an article about this historic monument.

Other information was obtained from records in possession of the present owner, Mrs. Ada T. Clark, wife of Geo. M. Clark.

*G. M. Grimes*  
Reviewed 1936 by H.C.F.